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Automobile Meeting and Banquet Much Enjoyed

Splendid Speeches Relative to Improved Roads in Lancaster County Greatly Appreciated—Much Enthusiasm Manifested Throughout Entire Program.

SEVENTEEN NEW MEMBERS ADDED TO LIST

A Great Campaign to be Launched Under Auspices of the Lancaster County Automobile Association in Behalf of Good Roads—Watson, Towles and La Costa Evans Made Honorary Members.

Wednesday evening, June 14, was a great history making event with the Lancaster County Automobile Association. On this occasion, some fifty of the leading citizens of Lancaster county, who are automobile owners, gathered at the Court House promptly at 8:30 o'clock for the purpose of participating in the program which had been arranged for the occasion, and to partake of the banquet which also had been arranged under the auspices of the local chapter of the U. D. C.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. E. M. Croxton. Rev. Hugh R. Murchison pronounced the invocation. Luther Ellerson, Secretary of the Association, in a brief way, outlined the advantages to the members to be affiliated with the American Automobile Association after which the sumptuous luncheon was served.

After the tables had been cleared and cigars passed, the president announced the evening program. Rev. Hugh R. Murchison was the first speaker, and his subject, "The Object of the Association," was listened to with great interest. He discussed to considerable length the great advantages to car owners to be gained in working in a co-operative way. He discussed many features in connection with the possibilities of such an association which furnished much thought to those present. His talk showed thorough preparation on this subject and was greatly appreciated by the members.

La Costa Evans, formerly of Chesterfield county, and who is recognized as one of the greatest "good roads" enthusiasts to be found anywhere, was next presented, and while his address was brief in a way, still he thoroughly convinced his audience of his sincerity in the great work which he has been doing during the past many years in the interest of good roads.

It will be remembered that largely through the efforts of Mr. Evans, that Chesterfield county can today boast of a considerable mileage of good roads. Nature endowed this man with the happy combination of a sunny disposition and being a full fledged optimist under all conditions and these enviable traits, together with his ninety power dynamic energy, have made him the cynosure and admiration of a large number of people throughout the State who believe in "doing things." It is needless to say that his talk was highly appreciated.

United States Engineer, V. E. Towles, who has governmental supervision over this particular section in the construction and maintenance of public highways working under the direction of the United States Department of Public Roads, was the next to appear on the program and from his address the members received some real live statistics in connection with real road construction.

Mr. Towles recently succeeded Engineer Spoon who was well known and liked in this county, and who was one of the prime movers in the building of a national highway through this county in order to divert travel from Charlotte to Columbia and vice versa, via Lancaster.

Mr. Towles is a man of strong personality; thoroughly conversant with the class of work he is doing, and no

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DEATH FOR WOMEN AS TRAIN STRIKES

Mrs. Belle Phillips Killed Near Rock Hill.

Rock Hill, June 15.—Mrs. Belle Phillips, widow of the late Vander Phillips of Rockingham, N. C., was almost instantly killed this afternoon at 12:40 o'clock when train No. 114, Charlotte to Columbia, crashed into an automobile at Steele's crossing near the city limits. The rear of the machine was demolished, but the other occupants escaped injury of consequence.

Mrs. Phillips, with her two children, a boy of 13 years and a girl of 7 years, was coming to Rock Hill to visit her brother, George McKensie, and Mother, Mrs. McKensie, of the Aragon village. They came via the Seaboard and at Catawba Junction found Pat Strait, driver for Holler & Halley, who had carried a passenger to the junction. He agreed to bring them to town, Mr. McKensie having failed to meet the train, as it had been raining nearly all day. Mr. Strait had the curtains down and consequently could not see the approaching train. The noise of the car drowned the noise of the crossing blow and he did not hear it. The train was not seen until the car was almost across the track and the engine was but a few feet away.

The engine pilot struck the rear of the machine and demolished it. Mrs. Phillips was sitting on the right side of the car and the pilot beam struck her forehead, causing almost instant death. The boy was thrown from the machine, but barring a scratch on the ear, was not hurt. The little girl and Mr. Strait were not injured, although they were more or less shaken up.

The train was in charge of Engineer Brickman of Columbia and Conductor Myers of Charlotte. The train was stopped and Mrs. Phillips and children rushed back to the Fennell infirmary, the injured woman dying about the time she reached the hospital.

SMALL NEGRO SHOT

Thursday evening shortly after six o'clock near Kershaw, a small negro boy by the name of Henry Richardson, age 6, shot and instantly killed another small negro boy by the name of Connie Cook, age 8. A shot gun as the weapon used. Sheriff Hunter went down to Kershaw early this morning to make an investigation of the killing.

JOEL N. OUTEN DEAD.

The many friends of Mr. Joel N. Outen in this county where he lived until his removal to Columbia some two years since, will regret to learn of his death which occurred in that city last night. Mr. Outen was a quiet and unassuming citizen and loyal to his county and state. He was an active member of Jackson Lodge No. 53, A. F. M., holding the office of Tyler for many years and up to his removal from Lancaster. The following notice of his death is taken from the Columbia State of this date:

Joel N. Outen, 55 years old, died at his residence, 2723 Main street, late last night. Funeral services will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at 6 o'clock, followed by interment in Elmwood cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. E. Denham of the Second Baptist church, of which the deceased was a member.

The late Mr. Outen was a contractor by trade. Though formerly of Lancaster county, he had made his home in Columbia during the last two and one-half years. He is survived by his wife and two children, Miss Lula and Charley A. Outen.

Miss Lucy Richmond Lentz, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Witherspoon, returned this week to her home in Concord.

President and His Mate Picked Without Contest

WILSON GRATEFUL TO HIS FRIENDS

Only Brief Comment on Nomination

Washington, June 15.—President Wilson was notified at 1 o'clock tonight by Secretary Tumulty that he and Vice President Marshall had been renominated by acclamation at the St. Louis convention. His only comment was: "I am very grateful to my generous friends."

Mr. Wilson had gone to bed a few minutes before after spending the evening with his wife and a party of officials receiving returns from the convention and waiting for the nomination known to be coming. He retired, however, only after a telephone message had come giving satisfactory assurances that reported opposition to the emphatic terms of his Americanism plank would not be serious and the declaration condemning the political activities of citizens of foreign lineage would go into the Democratic platform exactly as he had drafted it.

During the demonstration for the president which followed Judge Westcott's speech a telephone wire connecting the convention hall with the White House switch board was opened and the president, Mrs. Wilson and Secretary Tumulty and others of the White House party listened in. The applause and cheering could be heard very plainly.

Special wire facilities tonight kept the president in close touch with every development at the St. Louis convention.

MEETING OF THE LANCASTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Delegates Appointed to Attend State Convention, Orangeburg, June 20-21-22.

At a meeting of the members of the Lancaster Fire Department held Tuesday evening, June 13, several matters of interest were discussed relative to the improvement of present condition of the local fire department.

The subject relative to attending the South Carolina State Fireman's Tournament, to be held in Orangeburg, S. C., June 20-21-22, was thoroughly discussed and the following delegates were appointed to represent Lancaster at same:

J. Hunter Williams,
J. N. Caskey,
R. S. Harper,
Chief O'-r.

The Mayor of the City was requested also to attend.

Many other matters were discussed and much effective work outlined for the future. The Lancaster Fire Department is in a splendid condition and the boys are doing all possible to make the service more effective at all times. No other business, the meeting adjourned.

DORAL KAN SAYS



Local thunder showers Friday and probably Saturday.

"Luck" is a mighty poor compass to steer by. A man who has health, five fairly acute senses and the ability to know a better job when the chance comes—doesn't need to depend on "luck."

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Bryan Makes Strong Indorsing Wilson and His Policies

MUCH ENTHUSIASM AT NAME OF CHIEF

Notable Demonstration as Westcott Completes His Nominating Speech—Wilson Then Chosen as Standard Bearer, Closely Followed by Selection of Marshall

Coliseum, St. Louis, June 15.—President Wilson and Vice President Marshall were nominated by acclamation tonight by the Democratic national convention, the ticket being completed four minutes before midnight.

Contrary to expectation, however, the convention did not finish its work because the platform was not ready and it will meet again at 11 o'clock Friday morning.

It was announced in the convention that the subcommittee drafting the platform had finished its work but that the entire resolution committee was not assembled to pass upon it and it was not known when that could be done. President Wilson's own plank, charging conspiracy among some foreign born citizens for the benefit of foreign powers and denouncing any political party which benefits by and does not repudiate such a situation, was incorporated in the platform just as the president himself had sent it from Washington. It was understood that the president insisted that the plank should be put in the platform in the way he had drawn it.

There never was any doubt of President Wilson's nomination tonight, but there was a possibility that some vice presidential booms might be brought out in opposition to Vice President Marshall. They melted away, however, when the convention got in session and as soon as President Wilson's nomination had been made by a roaring chorus of acclamation, Senator Kern renominated Mr. Marshall, cast aside a long prepared speech and simply declared: "I nominate Thomas Riley Marshall of Indiana for vice president."

To President Wilson's nomination there was only one dissenting vote, Robert Emmet Burke of Illinois, who came to the convention announcing that he was opposed to the president. His vote technically made the president's nomination 1,991 to 1.

While the convention was assembling it became known the Nebraska delegation planned to withdraw the vice presidential candidacy of Gov. Moorehead. The delegation explained that President Wilson had not asked for the nomination of Vice President Marshall when they brought out their governor's candidacy. Before the convention was called to order the Coliseum was so full that the fire department permitted no more to come in. William J. Bryan, however, managed to get by and got his usual uproarious reception as he took his seat. Senator James had learned of the Nebraska's plight and rescued him.

At 9:15 o'clock Chairman James rapped the convention to order.

The crowd yielded to the rapping of the gavel long enough to hear the prayer and then renewed its demands for a speech from Mr. Bryan.

Senator Thompson then moved a suspension of the rules to permit Mr. Bryan to speak. When the motion was put there were some "noes," but the chairman ruled two-thirds had voted on the the favor.

A committee, headed by Senator Kern of Indiana, escorted Mr. Bryan to the speaker's place, while the floor and galleries roared their approval.